



MONTGOMERY SMALL COMPANIES FUND

INVESTMENT REPORT & FACT SHEET

FUND OVERVIEW

Montgomery Lucent's investment philosophy is guided by fundamental research and analysis. Small market capitalisation companies are relatively under-researched and when markets misprice securities, this creates investment opportunities.

The Montgomery Small Companies Fund (The Fund) typically invests in a portfolio of 30 to 50 high quality, undervalued small and emerging companies with strong growth potential.

The Fund will focus on investing in companies outside of the ASX 100 and across the New Zealand stock market, while being able to invest up to 10% of the portfolio in pre-IPO opportunities.

We are searching for companies likely to benefit from secular trends, industry change and with substantial competitive advantages. With a "lifecycle approach" to sizing the portfolio positions depending on whether they are an early stage, emerging, developed or a core investment, The Fund is designed to be as agile as the remarkable small companies that it invests in. This is a long-only portfolio.

FUND FACTS

INVESTMENT MANAGER

Montgomery Lucent Investment Management Pty Limited

OBJECTIVE

The Fund aims to outperform the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over a rolling 5 year period.

BENCHMARK

S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index

FUND CONSTRUCTION

The Fund's Small Cap portfolio will typically comprise 30-50 high quality stocks listed on the ASX and/or NZSX. Cash typically ranges around 10%.

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PORTFOLIO MANAGERS

Gary Rollo
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RECOMMENDED INVESTMENT TIMEFRAME

5 years

MINIMUM INITIAL INVESTMENT

\$25,000

INCEPTION DATE

20 SEPTEMBER 2019

FUND SIZE

\$281.8M

MANAGEMENT FEES AND COSTS

1.23% per annum*, which includes a management fee of 1.03% per annum.

* Includes the Responsible Entities fees, Montgomery's fees, custody fees, ordinary and abnormal expenses and any indirect costs

PERFORMANCE FEES

17.94% of the amount by which The Fund outperforms its Benchmark, after other fees and expenses have been deducted and achieves positive performance.

APPLICATION & REDEMPTION PRICES

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PERFORMANCE GRAPH

■ Montgomery Small Companies Fund ■ S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index



\$187,216

\$157,545

PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE

(to 31 January 2026, after all fees)

	INCOME	CAPITAL GROWTH	MONTGOMERY SMALL COMPANIES FUND	S&P/ASX SMALL ORDINARIES ACCUM. INDEX	OUT/UNDER PERFORMANCE
1 month	0.00%	0.56%	0.56%	2.74%	-2.18%
3 months	0.00%	-5.12%	-5.12%	2.65%	-7.77%
6 months	0.00%	10.61%	10.61%	17.30%	-6.69%
12 months	3.08%	11.28%	14.36%	22.76%	-8.40%
3 years (p.a.)	1.61%	12.94%	14.55%	12.08%	2.47%
5 years (p.a.)	2.46%	5.99%	8.45%	7.49%	0.96%
Since inception#	16.15%	71.07%	87.22%	57.55%	29.67%
Compound annual return (since inception)#	2.38%	7.97%	10.35%	7.40%	2.95%

Inception: 20 September 2019 | Past performance is not indicative of future performance



TOP COMPLETED HOLDINGS* (TCH)

(as at 31 January 2026 showing top 5 of 42 holdings, in alphabetical order)

COMPANY NAME	TICKER	COMPANY WEBSITE
Codan	ASX:CDA	https://codan.com.au/
Megaport	ASX:MP1	https://www.megaport.com/
Zip Co	ASX:ZIP	https://zip.co/au
Greatland Resources	ASX:GGP	https://www.greatland.com.au/
Vault Minerals	ASX:VAU	https://vaultminerals.com/

*Top Completed Holdings are businesses we own but are not actively buying or selling at the time of writing.

Total equity weighting	95.14%
Total cash weighting	4.86%

TOP 3 CONTRIBUTORS AND DETRACTORS

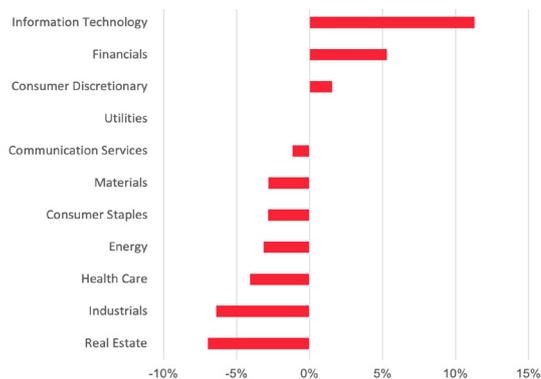
CONTRIBUTORS

Codan	The market responded positively to the 1H26 trading update which showcased strong growth in global gold detector sales.
Greatland Resources	Strengthening gold prices and a better-than-expected December quarterly production update supported the share price.
Nexgen Energy	Higher spot uranium prices and growing investor appetite for exposure to the nuclear energy sector lifted the share price.

DETRACTORS

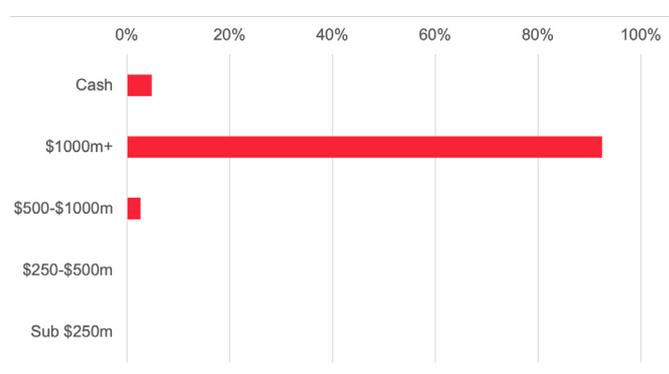
Elevra Lithium	Near-term mining challenges impacted the December quarterly results, leading to a downgrade in FY26 guidance.
Goria	Suffered heavy selling pressure over the month, reflecting balance sheet concerns. Announced acquisition by U.S.-based Aura.
Zip Co	Shares fell on no new company specific news, caught up in the broader global rotation out of growth stocks and recent winners.

GICS SECTOR WEIGHTS RELATIVE TO THE BENCHMARK



■ Montgomery Small Companies Fund

MARKET CAPITALISATION EXPOSURE



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The Montgomery Small Companies Fund (the Fund) returned 0.56 per cent (net of fees) in January, underperforming the benchmark, which returned 2.74 per cent. Since inception, the Fund has delivered a total return of 87.22 per cent (10.35 per cent p.a.), outperforming the benchmark's 57.55 per cent (7.40 per cent p.a.).

Key positive contributors

Codan (ASX:CDA)

Metals detection and communications technology company, Codan, saw its share price surge 34 per cent in January. The market responded positively to the first half 2026 trading update which showcased strong growth in global gold detector sales, particularly in Africa, coupled with a solid performance from the communications segment, leading to consensus earnings forecast upgrades.

Greatland Resources (ASX:GPP)

Greatland Resources shares continued their strong run, rallying a further 25 per cent in the month driven by gold price strength (+13 per cent in January) and a better-than-expected December quarterly production update. The company has transformed into a high-quality mid-tier gold producer generating very strong cashflows and with a strong growth profile as it brings on the world-class Havieron project.

Nexgen Energy (ASX:NXG)

Nexgen Energy's share price rose 33 per cent in January, driven by higher spot uranium prices (+22 per cent in the month) and growing investor appetite for exposure to the nuclear energy sector. Nexgen's Arrow Deposit located in Canada is widely considered the largest undeveloped high-grade uranium deposit globally.

Key detractors

Elevra Lithium (ASX:ELV)

A disappointing December quarterly report caused the Elevra Lithium share prices to fall 17 per cent in January. Despite improving lithium market fundamentals (rising prices, tightening supply-demand dynamics), near-term mining challenges caused the company to miss December quarterly production volumes, sales and cost estimates and downgrade their financial year 2026 guidance.

Qoria (ASX:QOR)

Cyber security software provider, Qoria, suffered heavy selling pressure over the month (-43 per cent), reflecting balance sheet concerns following the December quarterly update, as well as broader fears about potential artificial intelligence (AI) disruption of the software sector. In early February, Qoria announced it had agreed to be acquired by U.S.-based Aura.

ZIP Co (ASX:ZIP)

ZIP Co's shares fell 20 per cent in January on no new company specific news, and was caught in the broader global rotation out of growth stocks and recent winners.

Outlook

Global equity markets kicked off 2026 with a burst of momentum, but that optimism has recently shifted into a "risk-off" stance. We have seen a significant structural shift: the "AI trade" that defined 2025 has cooled as investors rotate out of Big Tech and into value-oriented sectors like commodities, domestic cyclicals, and small caps. Software companies have faced steep drawdowns as the market weighs the long-term disruptive impact of AI against current valuations. And this sentiment has spilled over to include growth stocks more broadly.

In Australia, investor sentiment has been challenged by stubbornly high inflation. This led the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) to raise interest rates for the first time in over two years in early February, accompanied by a hawkish outlook. While domestic demand remains resilient, exceeding the Central Bank's prior expectations, supply-side constraints continue to limit the economy's ability to meet this appetite. Our view remains that the market can withstand the couple more hikes currently being priced in.

The Fund's growth-tilted positioning has weighed on recent relative performance, but we expect the February results season to pivot the narrative back to fundamental strength. We remain market-weight in resources, where the long-term value drivers remain intact. Results season is prime hunting ground for us, and we're ready to get to work.